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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
TAX POLICY**

Wednesday, November 30, 2016 10:30 a.m. Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Tax Policy was called to order by the Chairman, Representative Jeff Farrington.

Members present: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.
Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Maturen moved to adopt the minutes from the Wednesday, November 9, meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid before the committee SB 570:

SB 570 (MacGregor) Property tax; exemptions; real property of a sportsmen club that dedicates its facilities for charitable purposes for a certain period of time each tax year exempt.

The Chair turned the gavel over to Representative Somerville.

Representative Glenn moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) to SB 570.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 8-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Somerville, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, LaVoy, and Byrd.

NAYS: None.

PASS: Representative Howrylak.

Representative Somerville returned the gavel to Chairman Farrington.

The following people testified in support of SB 570:

Lance Werner, representing the Michigan United Conservation Clubs.
Leah Maher, representing Senator MacGregor's office.

Mike Roche and Gordon Pickerd, representing the Rockford Sportsman's Club.
Amy Trotter, representing the Michigan United Conservation Clubs.
Tom Heritier, representing the Saginaw Field and Stream Club and Sterling Sportsmen's Association.
Gary Robb, representing the North Macomb Sportsman Club.
Jon Petzold, representing the Western Wayne County Conservation Club.

The following people testified in opposition to SB 570:

Ken Osborne, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.
Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association.
Chris Hackbarth, representing the Michigan Municipal League.
Ruth Scott and Mickey Knight, representing the Michigan Assessors Association.

The following people submitted a testimony card in opposition to SB 570, but did not wish to speak:

Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Association of Counties.
Jennifer Smith, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards.
Peter Spadafore, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators.
Annalisa Grunwald, representing the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators.
Bob Kefgen, representing the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals.
Emily Laidlaw, representing the ESA Legislative Group.
Lisa Hansknecht, representing Oakland Schools.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of SB 570, but did not wish to speak:

Steven Mitchell, representing the Rockford Sportsman's Club,
Bob Krueger, representing the New Buffalo Rod and Gun Club.
David Van Lopik, representing the Kalamazoo Rod and Gun Club.
Bill Krepps, representing the Ravenna Sportsman's Club.
John Oldani, representing himself.
Jane Finnerty, representing the Cadillac Sportsman's Club.
Greg Peter, representing the Chelsea Rob and Gun Club.
Barry Andrews, representing the Kinglsey Sportsman's Club.
Angela Hewitt, representing the Richmond Sportsman's Club.
Richard Larys, representing the Mecosta Rod and Gun Club.
Jim Blackall, representing the Sparta Hunting and Fishing Club.
Jason Pearson, representing the Wayne County Raccoon Hunters Association.
Steven Reed, representing the Tri-County Sportsman League.
Mark Palmer II, representing the Monroe County Rod and Gun Club Inc.
Kris Matthew, representing the Huron Valley Conservation Association.
John Lyp, representing the Huron Sportsman's Association.
Michael Leonard, representing the Chelsea Rod and Gun Club.

Jim Pryce, representing the Big 9 Sportsman's Club of Concord.
The Harsens Island Conservation Club.
The St. Clair Shores Sportsman's Club.
The St. Clair Hunt and Fish Club.
The Southeastern Michigan Conservation Club.
The Richmond Sportsman's Club.
The Pine River Sportsman's Club.
The Perch Point Conservation Club.
The Huron Pointe Sportsman's Association.
TL Heritier, representing the Harbor Beach Conservation Club, and Frankenmuth Conservation.
Don Abramowicz, representing the Western Wayne Conservation Association.

The Chair laid before the committee SB 579, SB 619, SB 620, SB 621, SB 622, SB 623, and SB 624:

SB 579	(Robertson)	Economic development; brownfield redevelopment authority; tax capture districts; provide opt-in and opt-out provisions for certain entities.
SB 619	(Brandenburg)	Economic development; tax increment financing; tax capture districts; provide opt-in and opt-out provisions for certain entities.
SB 620	(Brandenburg)	Economic development; downtown development authorities; tax capture districts; provide opt-in and opt-out provisions for certain entities.
SB 621	(MacGregor)	Economic development; corridor improvement; tax capture districts; provide opt-in and opt-out provisions for certain entities.
SB 622	(Robertson)	Economic development; other; tax capture districts; provide opt-in and opt-out provisions for certain entities.
SB 623	(Jones)	Economic development; local development financing authority; tax capture districts; provide opt-in and opt-out provisions for certain entities.
SB 624	(Jones)	Economic development; other; tax capture districts; provide opt-in and opt-out provisions for certain entities.

The following people testified in support of SB 579, SB 619, SB 620, SB 621, SB 622, SB 623, and SB 624:

Tamm Turgeon and Lance Werner from the Michigan Library Association.
Joe Martin, representing Senator Brandenburg's office.
Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Association of Counties.

The following people testified in opposition to SB 579, SB 619, SB 620, SB 621, SB 622, SB 623, and SB 624:

Jennifer Rigterink, representing the Michigan Municipal League.
Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Township Association.
Nathan Mack, representing the Michigan Downtown Association.

Jeremy Hendges, representing the Michigan Department of Talent and Economic Development, testified to SB 579, SB 619, SB 620, SB 621, SB 622, SB 623, and SB 624.

Representative Somerville moved to report SB 579 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 8-2-3.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, and Webber.

NAYS: Representatives Maturen and Townsend.

PASS: Representatives Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

Representative Maturen moved to report SB 619 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-1-3.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, and Webber.

NAYS: Representative Townsend.

PASS: Representatives Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

Representative Maturen moved to report SB 620 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-1-3.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, and Webber.

NAYS: Representative Townsend.

PASS: Representatives Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

Representative Maturen moved to report SB 621 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-1-3.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, and Webber.

NAYS: Representative Townsend.

PASS: Representatives Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

Representative Maturen moved to report SB 622 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-1-3.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, and Webber.

NAYS: Representative Townsend.

PASS: Representatives Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

Representative Maturen moved to report SB 623 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-1-3.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, and Webber.

NAYS: Representative Townsend.

PASS: Representatives Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

Representative Maturen moved to report SB 624 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-1-3.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, and Webber.

NAYS: Representative Townsend.

PASS: Representatives Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

The Chair laid SB 1009 before the committee:

SB 1009 (Johnson)	Property tax; delinquent taxes; sunset on formation of tax foreclosure avoidance agreements; extend.
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Senator Johnson, Eric Sabree and Phil Cavanagh, representing the Wayne County Treasurer's office, testified in support of SB 1009.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of SB 1009, but did not wish to speak:

Kenneth Cole, representing GCSI and the City of Detroit.

Andrew Doerr, representing the Michigan Association of County Treasurers.

Ken Osborne, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Representative Maturen moved to report SB 1009 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 12-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

The Chair laid SB 106 before the committee:

SB 106	(Green)	Sales tax; exemptions; tax-exempt status on aggregate sales for fund-raising purposes for certain nonprofit organizations; include veterans service organizations.
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Travis Howell, representing Senator Green's office, testified in support of SB 106.

The following people submitted testimony cards in opposition to SB 106:

Jennifer Smith, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Peter Spadafore, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators.

Annalisa Grunwald, representing the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators.

Bob Kefgen, representing the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals.

Lisa Hansknecht, representing Oakland Schools.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of SB 106, but did not wish to speak:

Ken Osborne, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Tim Adams, representing American Legion Post 400.

Mark Sutton, representing the American Legion.

Representative Maturen moved to report SB 1009 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 12-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 12:00 p.m.

Representative Jeff Farrington, Chair

Date Approved and Signed

Kevin Gawronski
Committee Clerk
November 30, 2016
1 hour 30 minutes